CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW URBAN FORESTRY BOARD RESOLUTION NO. SERIES 2021

A RESOLUTION OF THE URBAN FORESTRY BOARD OF THE CITY OF MOUNTAIN VIEW TO DENY THE APPEAL, UPHOLD STAFF'S DECISION, AND DENY THE REMOVAL OF ONE HERITAGE PALM TREE AND ONE HERITAGE EUCALYPTUS TREE AT 2443 TAMALPAIS STREET

WHEREAS, an application was received for the removal of two Heritage trees at 2443 Tamalpais Street on April 20, 2021; and

WHEREAS, on May 17, 2021, the Forestry and Roadway Manager issued a decision on the application, denying removal of the Heritage trees; and

WHEREAS, the decision denying removal of the Heritage trees was timely appealed; and

WHEREAS, at its duly noticed public hearing on September 8, 2021, the Urban Forestry Board considered the appeal of the application for removal of the Heritage trees and independently reviewed and considered the application, staff report, public testimony, Heritage Tree Ordinance, and other information in the record;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Urban Forestry Board of the City of Mountain View that the Heritage Tree Removal Permit appeal is hereby denied, and the Heritage trees shall be preserved, based on the required findings pursuant to Mountain View City Code Section 32.35, set forth below:

1. The City Code requires the preservation of all healthy Heritage trees unless specific criteria are met pursuant to Mountain View City Code Section 32.25.

2. The City Code places emphasis on the preservation of trees, and, when mitigation is possible, efforts should be made to preserve trees as opposed to removal.

3. The Urban Forestry Board determines that the removal of the Heritage trees do not meet any of the criteria set forth in City Code Section 32.25, specifically relating to the condition of the trees due to potential mitigation of property damage without removal of the trees.

This decision of the Urban Forestry Board is final. The time within which judicial review of this decision must be filed is governed by Code of Civil Procedure Section 1094.6. Notice of this decision shall be posted at the site, City Hall, and at the Forestry Division Office.

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